



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## Governor's Council for Agricultural Development



### RESEARCH WORKING GROUP *SUPPLY SUB-GROUP*

#### MINUTES OF MEETING HELD JULY 3, 2013 Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station New Haven, CT 06504

##### I. CALL TO ORDER

Kevin Sullivan, working group chair, called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm. Other working group members participating in the newly formed supply sub-group were:

Kristin Banick  
Dr. Lisa Milke  
Dr. Jeff Ward

Dean Weidemann was absent.

##### II. REVIEW OF SUB-GROUP ASSIGNMENT

Kevin Sullivan reiterated the assignment the supply sub-group was tasked with which was to assess Connecticut's existing agricultural research infrastructure as it related to those conducting research and develop suggestion(s) for improvement.

##### III. DEVELOPMENT OF DRAFT DELIVERABLES

The group engaged in an in-depth discussion about its assignment and came to consensus on the following:

1. Sub-group members contributed their thoughts on their review of the industry stakeholder interviews, transcripts from the deep-dive meetings conducted in 2012, and the Governor's Council for Agricultural Development (GCAD) annual report;
2. Discussion of the current research infrastructure, what currently exists, and challenges within it were discussed in depth;
3. A recommendation and suggestion for improvement was developed.

##### IV. RECAP AND NEXT STEPS

Kevin Sullivan recapped the highlights of the discussion and the next steps, which include all members meeting after the week of July 20, 2013 to review and finalize the recommendations by each sub-group which will be presented by Kevin Sullivan at the August 20 GCAD meeting.

##### V. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business and Kevin Sullivan adjourned meeting at 4:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jaime L. Smith  
July 8, 2013